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MARRIAGE.

On 24th April, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. R. H. Kidd, Colonial Chaplain, Messrs. Messrs. Taylor, of Shanghai, and Messrs. Taylor, only daughter of Captain David Reid, Fifehead, Scotland. [62]

The Daily Press

HONGKONG, APRIL 26th, 1876.

More and more apparent does it seem that the King of BURMA in its measures impeded in the massacre of Mr. MARGARY and his five servants. A motive exists for treachery on his part. In the first place he cordially detests the British, and has an indignant opinion of their power. He derives a considerable portion of his revenue from hateful monopolies, and views with great dislike and disfavour the system of free trade prevailing in British Burma. On this account too, he was, it is well-known, bitterly hostile to the Burmese-Chinese Expedition. Added to these circumstances there is still pending a dispute between the Sovereign of Ava and the British Indian Government relative to the boundary line between his dominions and British territory. His Majesty of Burma has lately been encroaching on the line, and attempting to incorporate the country of the Karens, which was acknowledged to be independent at the signing of Lord DUNLOP'S Treaty after the last war with Burma. Very recently Sir DORCAS FORSTER has been appointed by the Indian Government to proceed to Ava armed with powers to settle the questions in dispute, and he will be supported with troops from Madras. It is not improbable that the King has attempted an underhand mode of retaliation in anticipation, and instigated the Chinese of Yunnan to attack and destroy the Expedition, which was doubtless represented as inimical to the interests of China and Burmah alike. What lends colour to such a supposition is the circumstance, vouched for by the *Singapore Gazette*, that an embassy from the King of Burmah to the Government of Peking had proceeded along the path followed by Colonel BARNARD'S party only a few days before the latter were assailed by the Chinese, and as Mr. MARGARY had shortly before traversed the same route in safety, it is believed that the Burmese may possibly have incited the people of Mowmy to perpetrate the breach of hospitality of which they now stand convicted. If this supposition should turn correct, the British Government will have a good deal to settle with the potentate of Ava, who must perforce be considered as the main source and prime mover of the dastardly outrages to which Mr. MARGARY fell a victim. It is to be hoped that the affair will be well sifted, and in the event of the King of Burmah proving as faithless and treacherous as it is imagined, he will be made more intimately acquainted with the might of Great Britain, which hitherto, as we have before said, he has held in cheap, but which better knowledge of may considerably augment his respect for.

There is little fear of this outrage passing without ample satisfaction being rendered for it. It has attracted great attention and excited much indignation throughout the British Empire, and those responsible for its commission will be called to stern account. Both here and at home it has been made the subject of inquiry, and had the Government proved unwilling to take up the question they would have been urged to do so most strongly by some of their staunchest supporters. It was especially made the subject of questions in the House of Commons by Mr. WARR, and the London Press failed not to take up the matter. Major-General H. J. MARGARY, father of the murdered traveller, writes to *The Times*, hoping that "outrageous insult and defiance" of the British Government will not be allowed to pass unavenged. "If it did," he remarks, "our hold on India would be imperilled. As it is, no doubt exaggerated rumours of a large force of English 'foreign-devils' being easily defeated will spread through China and elsewhere, like wildfire, and what may be the effects of it if we do not act promptly? Many will be roused to the ground, and Mowmy occupied by us—two facts easy to be accomplished; and then there would be sufficient protection, both moral and physical, for a commercial route through Burmah into China open for all countries." Without at all subscribing to the gallant general's warlike suggestions, the policy of which is more questionable than their possibility, we trust the Chinese Government will give such sound guarantees for the future safety of foreign travellers as shall convince the old soldier his son has not fallen in vain. General MARGARY has, we are sure, the warm sympathy of the British residents in the East in his sad affliction. It must be some consolation to him to feel that his son perished in a good cause.

The darning effrontery and impudence displayed very frequently by certain members of the Chinese population in the police courts of this colony requires checking. Two cases illustrative of the cool audacity with which they too often outrage the court and insult the magistrate, were related in our issue of Saturday. In the one case a man, after promising to follow the magistrate's advice and pay the applicant (a woman) some money

he stood her, had turned out when she presented herself for the payment. And then, on being sent for to the court to explain this contemptuous conduct, he coolly refused to attend, and despatched the money by a despatch old woman. We admit there was no remedy in this case, because the applicant had gone to the wrong court, but in the other instance the circumstances were different. A fellow entered the court to present a petition, and in a swaggering and defiant style walked up to the interpreter and presented it to him. This misdeed may or may not have arisen through want of knowledge, but it is highly probable that he was better acquainted with the usages of the court than he pretended to be. In any case, however, there was no palliation for the filthy and disgusting act of which he was afterwards guilty, right in front of the Bench. For this violation of decency and decorum, the magistrate contented himself with merely ordering him out of court. He certainly deserved to be fined, but the usual clemency of the Bench was extended to him. Our worthy justices are somewhat too prone to allow a good deal more than is needed on the score of ignorance, and the grinning Celestial goes away chuckling at the manner in which he has been treated by the magistrate. There is a good deal of affected ignorance of English customs among these wretched people. Of course when it is found some latitude must be given, some little allowance made. But the forbearance of our magistrates, though highly creditable to their patience and endurance, is, we fear, not calculated to sustain in the native mind that wholesome awe of the law and its administrators which it is desirable they should be impressed with.

The P. and O. Company's steamship *Bombay* returned from Aberdeen dock at 3.30 a.m. on Saturday last.

The Ocean Steamship Company's steamer *Deception* left Singapore, for Hongkong, on the afternoon of Saturday, the 24th instant.

The *Diario de Manila* informs us that the Chinese fleet in Manila bay with gun. The light, however, on the 16th instant was very high, and the coal used not being good for the purpose.

It is stated that the experiment is now being made of introducing the cultivation of tea in the island of Malacca. The tea plant has been found to be almost identical with those of Japan.

Sturday's *Gazette* contains a notification of the appointment, by His Excellency the Administrator, of Mr. Charles Vandenberg Cragh to act as Sheriff provisionally and until further notice.

Professor Yanki has just returned to Singapore from Bangkok, where he performed before the public a series of experiments. He has been successful in his experiments, and has been awarded a gold medal, of the order of the Prince of Siam.

At the Peak the maximum temperature recorded in the *Gazette* of Saturday during the past week was 72.5, the minimum 54.5; at the Harbour-Master's Office, Peak, the maximum was 70 and the minimum 54. The greatest rainfall was on the 17th instant, when 0.37 inch fell.

The provisional appointment of Mr. Alfred Lister as Acting Postmaster-General and Collector of Stamp Revenue, vice Mr. Mitchell, is notified in the *Gazette* of Saturday. It is also announced that Mr. Henry Edwards has been appointed, provisionally, to act as Assistant Colonial Secretary and clerk of Council in the room of Mr. Lister.

From a table of Meteorological Observations, taken at the Government Civil Hospital, for the month of March, 1876, we find that the temperature was 80.1 inches of rain fell, compared with 3.11 in March, 1875. Rain fell on only four days in March last, and on 12 days in the same month of the last year. In March, 1875, only 0.23 inches of rain fell.

We understand, says the *Singapore Times*, that after their spending some time in gaol, it has just been decided by our Court has no jurisdiction to try the five prisoners in the *Ex parte* case, who, will be remembered, were committed to gaol by the police magistrate on a charge of murder and would have been tried at the present Assizes. The men are now, we hear, to be sent to England at the expense of the Colony.

The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment will perform this evening, the following programme:—March, "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." The programme is as follows:—1. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 2. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 3. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 4. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 5. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 6. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 7. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 8. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 9. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 10. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 11. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 12. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 13. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 14. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 15. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 16. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 17. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 18. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 19. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 20. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 21. "The Band of M.M.'s 80th Regiment." 22. 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A FREE LUNCH.

The "free lunch," one of the "institutions" of America, is provided with unusual liberality in the Crescent City. It has no connection with Mr. Bright's ideal free breakfast table. Its freedom consists in that the consumer does not pay for it. I have heard that a certain old gentleman, at which dinner was given gratis, but who was expected to order a bottle of wine, at the price of which was made to cover the cost of the whole repast. I have also been told of people who tried to get the better of the Excise by selling you a present, and at the same time making you a present of a glass of something to drink. The enjoyment of my free lunch has been somewhat marred by the fact that there is any such lodge about it. My digestion is not impaired by qualms of conscience. I have defrauded no one. I have eaten of the best, I am satisfied, and I am welcome. I pay for my glass of sherry with my "brandy squirt" (the New Orleans equivalent, and not a good one, for brandies are not squirts). I have not, as I should expect for such beverages if I took them at a time when lunch was going on, or if I ate nothing. And the best of it is, that if I have no money in my pocket to drink withal, I may eat my fill, and no one will say to me, The free lunch is spread in symposiums the like of which are unknown in the States. I have not been a free-lunch politician behind it, wheezing in an atmosphere of stale beer and sweet biscuits, or of refreshment saloon, resplendent with colour

The female population of Ashantee is in excess of that of the males; and the demand for women is so great by this one-kindling alone has led to widespread misdeeds. Tribe wars war with tribe, and the victors carry off the women and sell them for the Ashantee market. The women in the heart of Africa are sold for the purpose of being introduced into the Ashantee country for the slave purposes of the depopulated for the sole purpose of getting women for the inland trade. The regulations which exist with reference to the wives of the King of Ashantee are as strict as those which relate to the wives of the Sultan of Turkey. Like the King of Derbent, the Ashantee monarch is in a certain degree exempted from the usual laws of his country. The women who are united to him in marriage. There is a seraglio at Comissano as well as at Constantino. An entire country is devoted to the wives of the king. They are strictly secluded from all intercourse with the rest of the population. Sometimes they are permitted to visit the other parts of the country by the presence of this seraglio. They are not to absent themselves, nor to look upon the wives of the king is considered to be an offence which cannot be pardoned. Should there be any who have not been able to protect by this warning, if they would avoid having their throats cut, as the full process of the king's wives are permitted to attend.

Yokang	Riddell	Brit. ste
Amiral Devonik	Carique	Fren. bl
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Archer	J. P. Davidson	Ger. bl
Aristos	M. Pike	Nor. st
Ails Minours	A. E. Kidahl	Nor. st
Atlantic	Gaurier	Fren. bl
Avonmore	G. O. Mellis	Brit. sh
Bado	W. R. Orfield	Brit. sh
Buedicta	H. Kramer	Ger. sh
Britania's Pride	Jessie	Ger. sch
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Charles Marden	W. Marden	Brit. sh
Chow Sze	J. Hansen	Fren. bl
Clio	J. F. Stahmeyer	Siam. sh
Clombomb	Oborg	Ger. bl
Clombomb City	P. F. Hecar	Brit. bl
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Hikher	Thompson	Amer. bl
McNear	T. Legendre	Brit. sh
Naledaba	Carter	Amer. sh
Narvo Constante	Harcus	Dan. sh
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Pana	W. Weller	Ger. sh
Preston	C. Borge	Ger. sh
Pyramont	N. Irgens	Dan. bl
Raschore	D. Distrikten	Ger. bl
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Union	Engelstzen	Siam. sh
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931	Carlowitz & Co	
931	Aug. Heard & Co	
960	Russell & Co	San Francisco
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247	Wm. Pustan & Co	
178	Ed. Schellhess & Co	
297	Chlor & Thompson	
383	Chinese	Ohefoo
420	Siemssen & Co	
384	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
430	Aug. Heard & Co	
711	Landstein & Co	
438	H. Kiser	
383	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	San Francisco
440	Fardon & Co	
427	Tuck-ree & Co	
386	Rostrup & Co	Honolulu
547	Meichers & Co	San Francisco
330	Wm. Pustan & Co	
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540	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Tientsin
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182	Benedict & Co	
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